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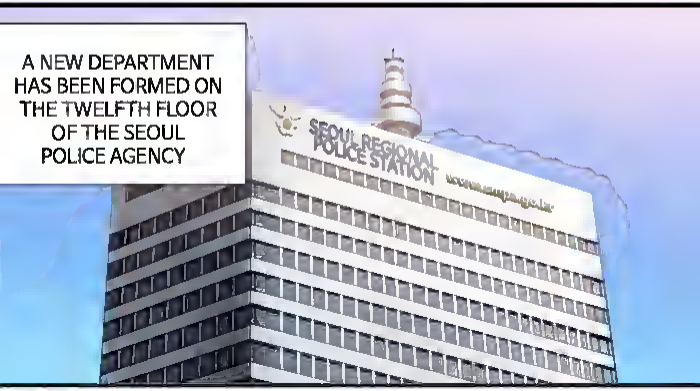
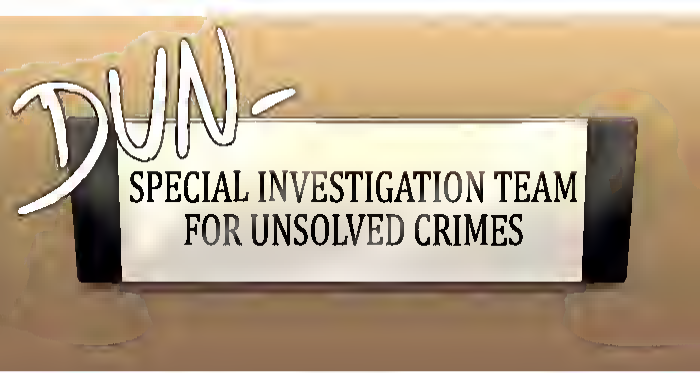
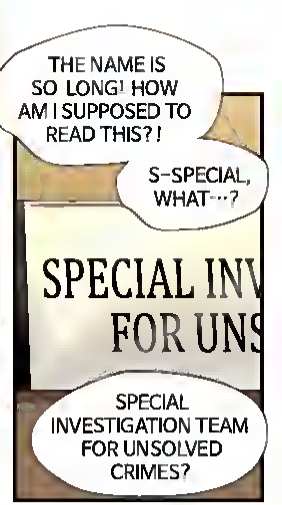

A NEW DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN FORMED ON THE TWELFTH FLOOR OF THE SEOUL POLICE AGENCY
SEOUL REGIONAL POLICE STATION

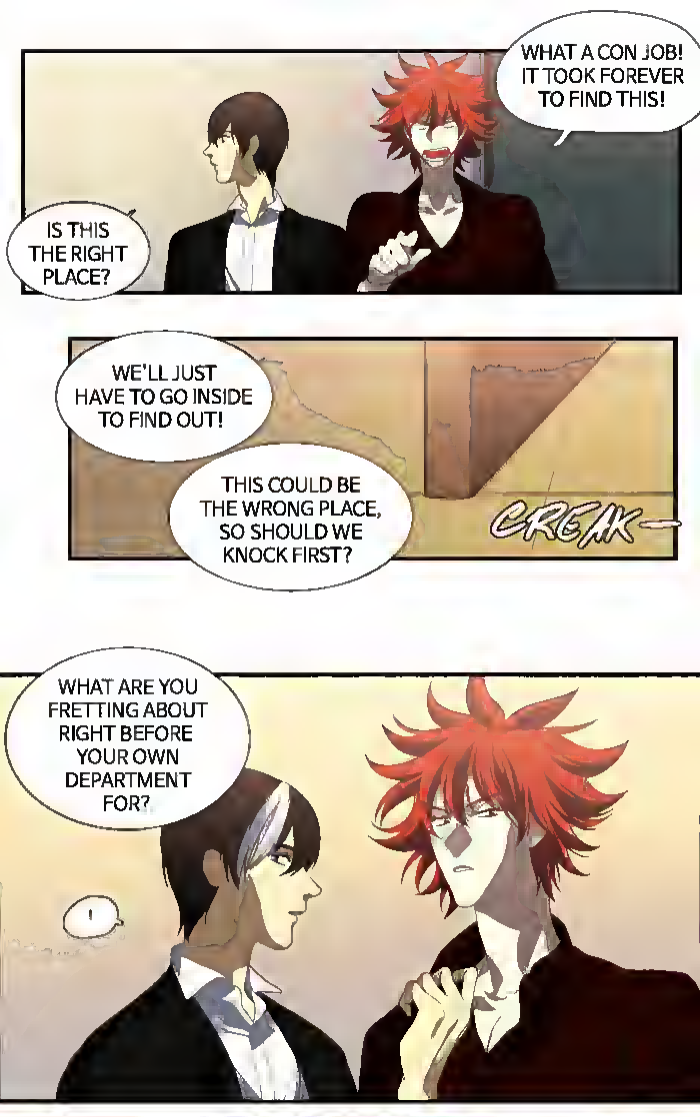
AN INVESTIGATION TEAM DEDICATED TO INVESTIGATING SUPERNATURAL PHENOMENA AND CHASING DOWN PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL PARANORMAL ABILITIES.
THE NAME OF THAT INVESTIGATION TEAM IS----

TWELFTH FLOOR-
TWELFTH FLOOR-
BUT I CAN T FIND IT ANYWHERE!
ARE YOU SURE IT S ON THE TWELFTH FLOOR, SIMOON?!
IT SHOULD BE HERE KEEP LOOKING
THERE ARE ONLY SECURITY OFFICES ON THIS FLOOR, SO THERE SHOULD A DIFFERENT SIGN·····


DUN-
SPECIAL INVESTIGATION TEAM
FOR UNSOLVED CRIMES

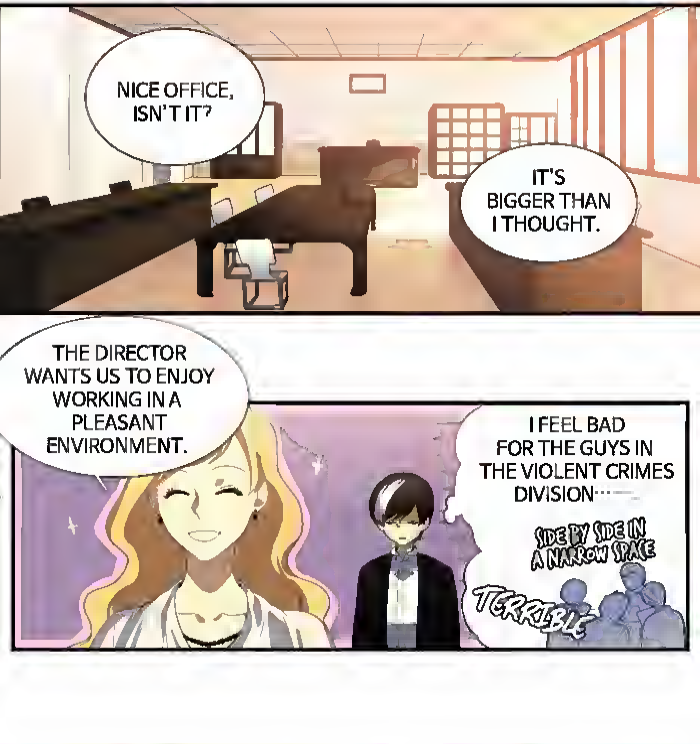
WHAT'S THIS?!
WHY ISN'T THE NAME S.I.D.?
OH, IT REALLY ISN'T.


THE NAME IS SO LONG! HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO READ THIS?!
S-SPECIAL, WHAT…?
SPECIAL INV
FOR UNS
SPECIAL INVESTIGATION TEAM FOR UNSOLVED CRIMES?


WHAT A CON JOB! IT TOOK FOREVER TO FIND THIS!
IS THIS THE RIGHT PLACE?
WE'LL JUST HAVE TO GO INSIDE TO FIND OUT!
THIS COULD BE THE WRONG PLACE, SO SHOULD WE KNOCK FIRST?
CREAK—
WHAT ARE YOU FRETTING ABOUT RIGHT BEFORE YOUR OWN DEPARTMENT FOR?
!

SOPHIA.
LONG TIME NO SEE, DETECTIVE LEE.
HEY LADY, CAN'T YOU SEE ME?
LONG TIME NO SEE.
AH, RIGHT. HI TENKA.
AT LEAST GIVE ME A PROPER GREETING!
Hohoho
YOU LOOK SO LIVELY THAT I DIDN'T THINK I NEEDED TO ASK YOU HOW YOU'RE DOING
like
WHY ARE YOU ALREADY PICKING A FIGHT, TENKA?
ANYWAY, LET'S TALK INSIDE. COME IN
Boo

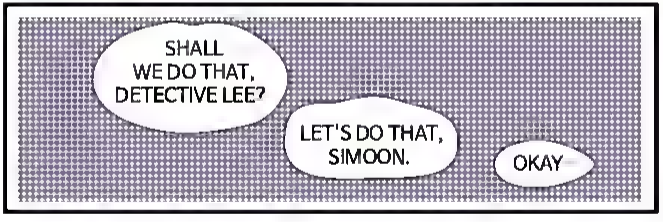
BUT WHY DOESN'T IT SAY S.I.D. ON THE SIGN? IT TOOK FOREVER TO FIND IT!
OH, BUT THERE'S NO MISTAKE ON IT.
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, THERE'S NO MISTAKE?! ARE YOU MAKING FUN OF ME FOR BEING BAD AT KOREAN?!
NO, IT'S WRITTEN RIGHT HERE.
TENKA...
ON THE BACK.
IT'S A TRICK!
THE FRONT IS TO TRICK PEOPLE
FLINCH
SUPERNATURAL INVESTIGATION DEPARTMENT

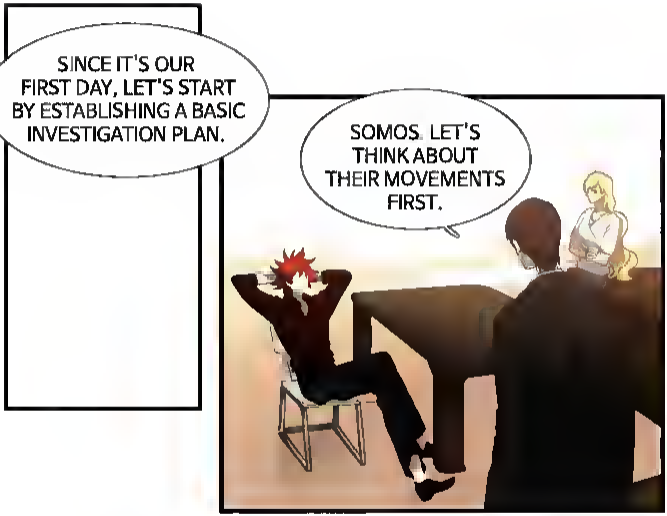

NICE OFFICE, ISN'T IT?
IT'S BIGGER THAN I THOUGHT.
THE DIRECTOR WANTS US TO ENJOY WORKING IN A PLEASANT ENVIRONMENT.
I FEEL BAD FOR THE GUYS IN THE VIOLENT CRIMES DIVISION····
SIDE BY SIDE IN A NARROW SPACE
TERRIBLE

-NOW,
HERE'S YOUR SEAT, DETECTIVE LEE.
DEPARTMENT CHIEF
SIMOON LEE

···VERY NICE.
IT MAY BE HIDDEN, BUT WE NOW HAVE AN OFFICIAL DEPARTMENT.
AND WE CAN REALLY GET STARTED.
DEPARTMENT CHIEF
SIMOON
···BUT AM I REALLY THE DEPARTMENT CHIEF?
WHO ELSE HERE COULD BE THE DEPARTMENT CHIEF EXCEPT YOU?
(BASICALLY) FOREIGNER.!
FOREIGNER.?
MINER.
YEAH, SO WHAT? IT TOTALLY SUITS YOU, SIMOON!
SO SHOULD I CALL YOU CHEF NOW INSTEAD OF SIMOON?

HOHOHO
YOUR PRONUNCIATION IS FUNNY, TENKA. I SHOULD CALL HIM CHEF TOO
WHAT WAS THAT? ARE YOU TRYING TO START A FIGHT?
FORGET IT, JUST CALL ME WHAT YOU'VE BEEN CALLING ME SO FAR.
I JUST LIKE IT BECAUSE IT SOUNDED FUNNY.


SHALL WE DO THAT, DETECTIVE LEE?
LET'S DO THAT, SIMOON.
OKAY


SINCE IT'S OUR FIRST DAY, LET'S START BY ESTABLISHING A BASIC INVESTIGATION PLAN.
SOMOS. LET'S THINK ABOUT THEIR MOVEMENTS FIRST.

SOMOS……
YOU SAID THAT THEY CAME OVER TO KOREA FROM THE STATES. RIGHT LADY?
THEY KEPT PRODDING GHOSTS TO KILL PEOPLE
WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED WITH CHIEF PARK
COULD THEIR GOAL REALLY BE TO COLLECT SOULS?

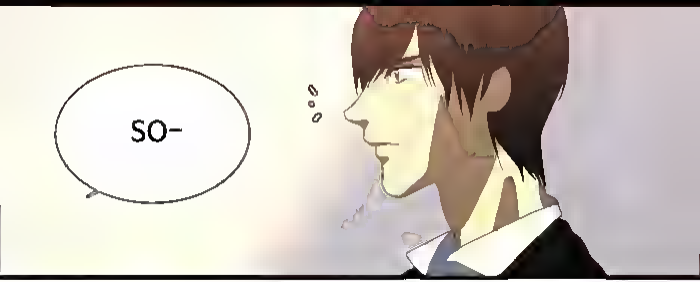
MISAEL···
I WONDER···
ACTUALLY, I HAO NEVER EVEN HEARD ABOUT SOMEONE BEING ABLE TO GATHER SOULS BEFORE.
PURIFYING SOULS USUALLY MEANS CLEANSING THEM OF ANY EVIL SPIRITS AND SENOING THEM TO THE UNDERWORLD.
BUT THAT DOESN'T LOOK LIKE WHAT THOSE GUYS ARE DOING··· ··
THERE'S NO WAY TO KNOW FOR SURE YET.
FROM WHAT THE FBI HAS FIGURED OUT,
THEN ARE THOSE PEOPLE WE SAW BEFORE THE ONLY PEOPLE IN SOMOS?

THERE ARE A TOTAL OF FIVE PEOPLE ACTIVE IN SOMOS, CENTEREO AROUND SOMEONE WITH THE CODENAME "MISAEL."
ALL WE'VE FIGURED OUT ARE THEIR COOENAMES: MISAEL, JACK, FIAN, NARADA, AHN THESE FIVE PEOPLE.
HUH?
THEN WHAT ABOUT THOSE TWO CHINESE PEOPLE? THOSE WEREN'T THEIR NAMES.
I HAD NEVER SEEN THEM BEFORE EITHER.
THEY MUST HAVE BEEN NEWLY RECRUITED WHEN THEY CAME TO KOREA.
WE'LL HAVE TO GRAOUALLY FIGURE OUT THEIR PURPOSE, BUT THERE'S ONE CLEARLY STRANGE POINT.
A STRANGE POINT?

SOMOS IS ACTING NOTICEABLY DIFFERENT FROM WHEN THEY WERE IN THE STATES.
IN THE STATES, THEY NEVER SHOWED THEMSELVES FIRST.
BUT THEY HAD NO PROBLEM SHOWING THEMSELVES IN FRONT OF DETECTIVE LEE.
AND IN THAT LAST INCIDENT, WITH THAT TALK OF A TEST AND GUESTS.
IT FELT AS IF THEY WERE INTENTIONALLY APPROACHING US.

INTENTIONALLY… DOES THAT MEAN THEY WANT SOMETHING FROM US?
I CAN'T SAY FOR SURE, BUT THEY DEFINITELY HAVE SOME KIND OF OTHER SCHEME.
A SCHEME…
WHATEVER THEIR INTENTIONS ARE.
WHATEVER THEY'RE AFTER.

I WON'T
LET THEM
TOY US AROUND
ANY MORE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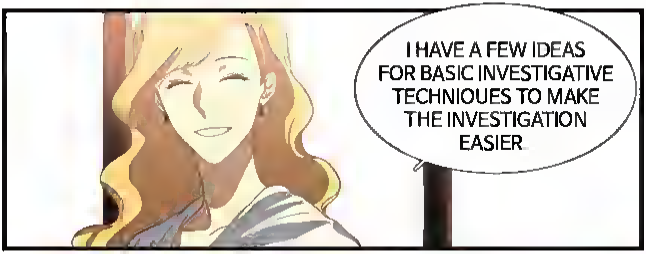
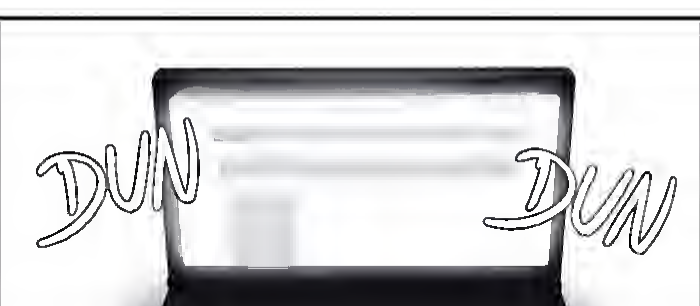

I HAVE A FEW IDEAS FOR BASIC INVESTIGATIVE TECHNIQUES TO MAKE THE INVESTIGATION EASIER

BASIC INVESTIGATIVE TECHNIQUES?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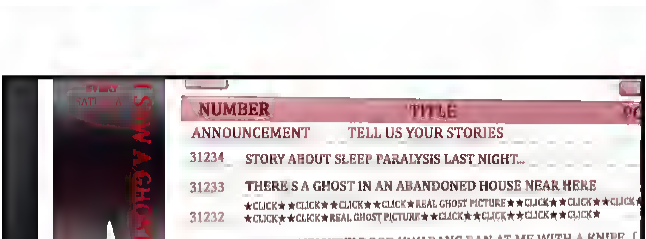
I SAW A GHOST
NUMBER
TITLE
ANNOUNCEMENT
TELL US YOUR STORIES
31234
STORY ABOUT SLEEP PARALYSIS LAST NIGHT..
31233
THERE S A GHOST IN AN ABANDONED HOUSE NEAR HERE
★CLICK★★CLICK★★CLICK★★CLICK★REAL GHOST PICTURE★★CLICK★★CLICK★★CLICK★
31232
★CLICK★★CLICK★REAL GHOST PICTURE★★CLICK★★CLICK★★CLICK★★CLICK★
31231
THIS CRAZY NEXT DOOR HWARANG KAN AT ME WITH A KNIPE
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A REALLY CHILLING TRUE STORY
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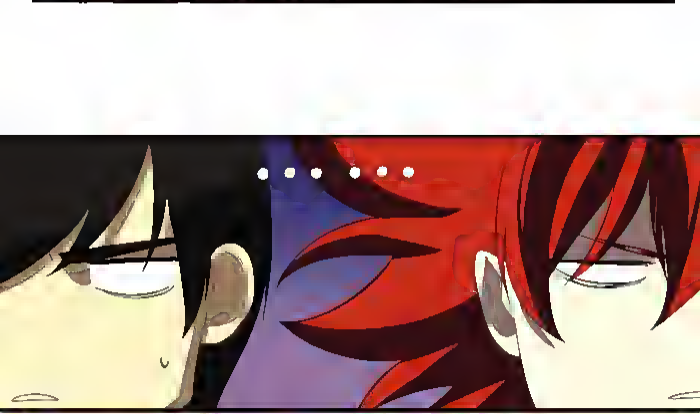
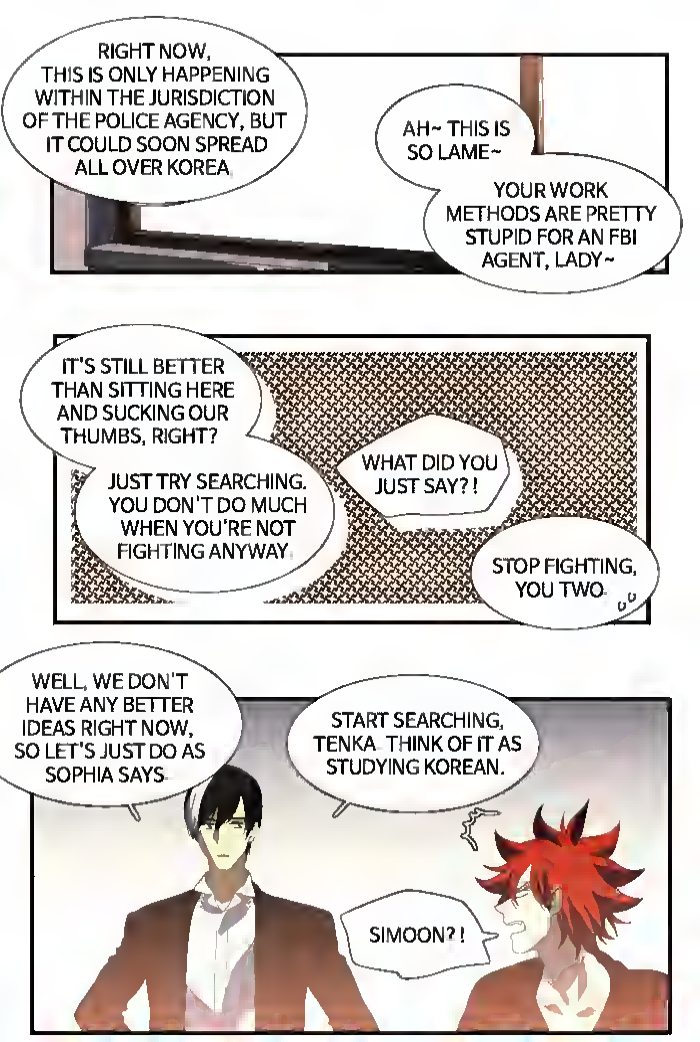
YOU GUYS ARE ALL NUTS HAHA TALKING ABOUT GHOSTS
HELP ME, MY MOM IS WEIRD

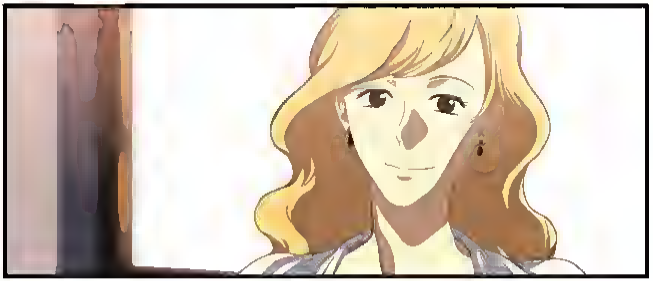


DETECTIVE KANG, IS THIS WHAT YOU MEANT BY A BASIC INVESTIGATION ?
ARE YOU KIDDING, LADY? HOW IS DIGGING UP POSTS ON A CABLE TV NOTICE BOARD AN INVESTIGATION?!
Ho
Ho
Ho
RIGHT NOW, WE HAVE ALMOST NO CLUES ABOUT SOMOS, RIGHT?
THERE ARE GOING TO BE A LOT MORE INCIDENTS, AND WE NEED TO FIND ANY POTENTIAL CLUES BEFORE THIS GETS OUT OF HAND.
WILL THIS REALLY HELP, THOUGH?
Ho
Ho
UM, THERE'S ABOUT 2% CHANCE OF IT WORKING.
Ho
I TRIED IT ONCE IN THE STATES, AND IT ACTUALLY WORKED SURPRISINGLY WELL.
Ho
IT'S NOT LIKE IT'S A LOTTERY…

AH RIGHT, AND I'M THINKING OF CREATING OUR OWN WEBSITE.
RATHER THAN JUST SEARCHING BY OURSELVES, WE NEED TO GET REPORTS FROM FLYERS OR INTERNET ADS.
DETECTIVE LEE, THE PHONE NEXT TO YOUR DESK IS FOR THE S.I.D.
I'M ALSO CREATING A NETWORK OF SHAMANS AND PEOPLE INVOLVED IN CHURCHES, CATHEDRALS AND TEMPLES.
EVAN IS IN CHARGE OF THE NETWORK
WAIT, SO THE POLICE ARE BASICALLY JUST ACTING AS EXORCISTS.
WE ARE GOING TO EXPAND OUR RANGE OF ACTIVITIES IN THE FUTURE


RIGHT NOW, THIS IS ONLY HAPPENING WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE POLICE AGENCY, BUT IT COULD SOON SPREAD ALL OVER KOREA.
AH~ THIS IS SO LAME~
YOUR WORK METHODS ARE PRETTY STUPID FOR AN FBI AGENT, LADY~
IT'S STILL BETTER THAN SITTING HERE AND SUCKING OUR THUMBS, RIGHT?
JUST TRY SEARCHING. YOU DON'T DO MUCH WHEN YOU'RE NOT FIGHTING ANYWAY.
WHAT DID YOU JUST SAY?!
STOP FIGHTING, YOU TWO.
WELL, WE DON'T HAVE ANY BETTER IDEAS RIGHT NOW, SO LET'S JUST DO AS SOPHIA SAYS.
START SEARCHING, TENKA. THINK OF IT AS STUDYING KOREAN.
SIMOON?!

THIS IS RIDICULOUS. I DIDN'T COME TO THE POLICE STATION TO DO THIS!
COMPUTERS··· COME TO THINK OF IT, WE'RE SHORT ON COMPUTERS.
GRUMBLE
GRUMBLE



DETECTIVE LEE I'M GLAD TO SEE YOU LOOKING BRIGHTER
I WAS WORRIED ABOUT YOU
...
...I'M OKAY NOW.
THANK YOU.

SLAM!!
-URGH!

YOU GUYS!
HOW COULD YOU LEAVE ME OUT OF THIS?!

OH~ LOOK WHO'S HERE!
WHY DID YOU JUST SHOW UP NOW, BARAMI? DID OUR LITTLE KOREAN BOY SLEEP IN?
ARE YOU TRYING TO GET TALLER BY SLEEPING LOTS?
UGH, LET GO OF ME!
I DIDN'T EVEN SLEEP THAT MUCH!

BARAM····

WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?

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